

Public Notice

Draft Categorical Use Attainability Analysis for Recreation

The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division (WDEQ/WQD) has developed a draft of a Categorical Use Attainability Analysis for Recreation. The draft UAA identifies streams in the state that do not support primary contact recreation based on two main factors: insufficient stream flow to support primary contact recreational activities such as swimming and distance from recreation sites and areas frequented by the public and/or children.

WDEQ/WQD is requesting assistance from the public to identify streams within Wyoming that are used for primary contact recreation that are not currently identified as primary in the draft UAA. The department is particularly interested in locations such as pools or other deep water areas that may support primary contact recreation that are currently not identified as primary by the UAA. WDEQ/WQD is also interested in identifying any potential issues with the datasets used in development of the UAA.

The full text of the draft UAA can be reviewed at :
http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/watershed/surfacestandards/Downloads/UAA/Categorical_Rec/Categorical_UAA_for_Recreation_08052013.pdf. The primary and secondary contact recreation designations and the datasets used in development of the UAA are available in a web map that can be accessed at the following website: http://159.238.120.99/DRAFT_UAA/INDEX.HTML.

A public meeting will be held on **August 26, 2013** at 10:30 AM in the Cottonwood Room of the Laramie County Public Library in Cheyenne, Wyoming. If entities or individuals cannot attend this meeting, additional public meetings and/or presentations can be scheduled by contacting Lindsay Patterson at 307-777-7079 or Lindsay.Patterson@wyo.gov.

Specific feedback or questions on the draft UAA should be addressed to Lindsay Patterson at 307-777-7079 or Lindsay.Patterson@wyo.gov by the close of business **September 30, 2013**. Feedback should be accompanied by specific information about the recreational use of streams and/or datasets used in the UAA such as stream name, latitude, longitude, name of individual or entity submitting the information, photos, stream ID number, dataset name, data ID number, etc.

WDEQ/WQD will provide additional opportunity for formal public comment on the Categorical Use Attainability Analysis for Recreation once the information collected as part of this outreach effort has been incorporated into the UAA.

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